

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-11 and 13-21 are pending in the present application. Claims 1, 6-10, 14, and 21-22 have been canceled. Claims 2, 11, and 15-18 have been amended. Claims 2 and 11 have been amended to include the limitations of claim 1. Claim 16 has been amended to include the limitation of claim 14. Claims 15 and 17-18 have been amended solely to correct the dependency of these claims. No new matter has been added.

Amendment of the originally filed claims, or cancellation of any claims should in no way be construed as an acquiescence, narrowing, or surrender of any subject matter. The amendments are being made not only to point out with particularity and to claim the present invention, but also to expedite prosecution of the present application. Applicants reserve the option to prosecute the originally filed claims further, or similar ones, in the instant or subsequently filed patent applications.

**Information Disclosure Statements**

Applicants thank the Examiner for including the initialed Form 1449 that was filed with an Information Disclosure Statement on November 19, 2004. Applicants respectfully request that the Office also provide the Applicants with initialed Forms 1449 that were filed with previous Information Disclosure Statements.

Applicants note that an Information Disclosure Statement was filed on November 2, 2001, and again as a duplicate Information Disclosure statement on June 12, 2003. Further, Applicants filed a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97(c)(2) on September 12, 2002, and again as a duplicate Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement on June 12, 2003. Applicants have also submitted an Information Disclosure Statement on June 18, 2003. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider all legible copies of the cited documents on these Information Disclosure Statements. To date, Applicants have not received any initialed PTO-1449 corresponding to these submitted Information Disclosure Statements.

**Rejection of claims 1, 6, 14 and 17-18 under 35 U.S.C. 102(e)**

Claims 1, 6, 14 and 17-18 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Dyott (6,539,134). Claims 1, 6 and 14 have been canceled. Claims 17-18 now depend on amended claim 16. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection.

**Rejection of claims 1-21 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a)**

Claims 2-5, 7-11, 13, 15-16 and 19-21 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a), as being unpatentable over Dyott (6,539,134). The Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection. Applicants submit that the instant application and US 6,539,134, were, at the time the instant invention was made, jointly owned by, or subject to a joint obligation of assignment KVH Industries, Inc. Pursuant to 35 USC § 103(c), subject matter developed by another which qualifies as "prior art" only under one or more of subsections 35 U.S.C. 102(e), (f) and (g) is not to be considered when determining whether an invention sought be patented is obvious under 35 U.S.C. 103. M.P.E.P. 2146. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection.

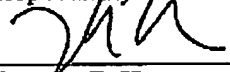
**CONCLUSION**

In view of the foregoing remarks, Applicants submit that the pending claims are in condition for allowance. Early and favorable reconsideration is respectfully solicited. The Examiner may address any questions raised by this submission to the undersigned at 617-832-1000. Should a further extension of time be required other than provided for, Applicant hereby petitions for same and request that the extension fee and any other fee required for timely consideration of this application be charged to Deposit Account, No. 06-1448.

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